

Safety and Mission Assurance Engineering Contract (SMAEC)

Questions and Answers

Revised Question 2: Are there any contractors you would expect to be excluded from bidding on this work due to potential Organizational Conflict of Interest (OCI)?

The Government does not plan to, either in the RFP or the contract; limit participation to only firms with no hardware/software development related to JSC present or future tasks and programs. However, in their response to the RFP, potential vendors should be prepared to identify and address any potential conflicts. The offeror's should be responsive to the RFP and their proposals will be evaluated to determine, among other things, the quality and effectiveness of the proposed plans for avoiding existing and potential organizational conflicts of interest and the appearance thereof. Offerors are further advised that, no award will be made to an offeror which submits an organizational conflict of interest plan which is determined to be unacceptable or for which a waiver request, subject to FAR 9.504(e), has been denied. The notification and opportunity to respond process described in FAR 9.504(e) will be accomplished, if necessary, by means of oral or written discussion with firms determined to be in the competitive range and through any subsequent final proposal revisions.